

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

| In re the Application of: |) Group Art Unit: 2872 |
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| Garrick Maenle, et al |) Confirmation No.: 4705 |
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| For: CYTOLOGICAL IMAGING SYSTEMS AND METHODS |) |

RESPONSE TO ELECTION/RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

M/S: Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Election/Restriction Requirement mailed January 26, 2005, for the above-referenced application, Applicant hereby elects the invention of Claims 99 - 101, (i.e., Group V), drawn to a method of auto-focusing including establishing a course focus and fine focus.

A current listing of the claims begins on page 2 of this paper.